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Niagara gets $32-million grant

More than 200 politicians, business and community leaders, and college supporters who had gathered at White Oaks Inn on April 8 celebrated as Premier Bob Rae announced long-awaited funding for Niagara College.

A $32-million provincial contribution has given Niagara College the go-ahead to build a state-of-the-art campus in Niagara-on-the-Lake and to set in motion plans to renovate the college's 26-year-old Welland Campus.

Rae said jobsOntario will invest the $32-million over the next three years as part of the government's long-term strategic plan put Ontario back to work.

"Through this jobsOntario investment at Niagara College, we're creating jobs now and building a strong foundation for future prosperity by developing quality post-secondary facilities that will help the college train and equip people with the skills and knowledge they need to meet the economic needs of the Niagara Region," Rae said.

The college will utilize $22-million of the allotted funds to construct the New Campus consisting of 190,000 to 225,000 square feet. It will be located at the south-east corner of Glendale Avenue and Taylor Road.

Under Niagara-on-the-Lake's official plan, the land falls under its First Capital Business Park, which allows future business development in the area. Both the college and the Town expect the real benefits to come when other businesses build on nearby acres of serviced land.

The college has been approached by developers and corporations interested in developing the land surrounding the new site.

The New Campus will include a learning resource centre, recreational facilities and a child care centre. It will house all health science, business, environmental and horticulture training. It will also serve as a centre for the Ventures Division specializing in employer-based training activities. It will be the location of the Niagara College Foundation and Alumni Office

The Welland Campus will received the other $10-million for substantial renovations and expansion purposes.

A new learning resource centre and arts complex will be constructed. Seperate funding of $1-million, already approved from the Ministry of Community and Social Services, will be used to create a new child care centre in Welland (see story page 2).

Community studies, technology, applied and creative arts will continue in Welland and Continuing Education will still be offered at all campuses.

"This funding will enable Niagara College to increase enrolment by at least 20 per cent over the next few years, thereby giving more people the opportunity to get the skills and training they need," said Dave Cooke, minister of Education and Training.

Moffat Kinoshita Associates Incorporated, a Hamilton-based architectural firm, has been chosen to take on the college's renovation and construction projects.

The Niagara College improvement plans will create more than 320 year-long positions related to construction and renovation. It is estimated the expansion will create at least 60 permanent full-time positions as student and client population increases over the next few years.

The groundbreaking ceremony for the new site and the construction and renovations at the Welland Campus are expected to begin within the year. The entire project is expected to be completed by December 1997.

"We are very grateful to Premier Rae, Minister Cooke and the Government of Ontario for their strong support and faith in the value of post-secondary education in the Niagara Peninsula," said Niagara College President John Saso.

"Our students, alumni and the people of the Niagara Region will greatly benefit from the implementation of Niagara College's Master Plan for many, many years to come."

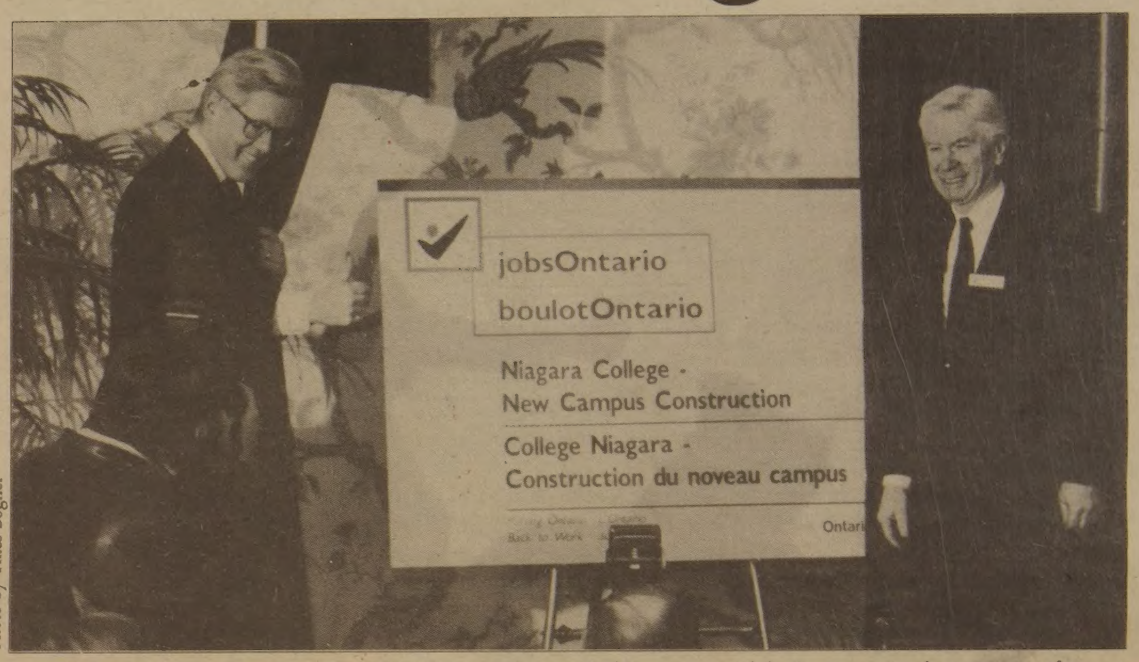

Photo by Thies Bogner

Premier Bob Rae and Bernard Baril, chairperson of the Niagara College Board of Governors, unveil the sign announcing the construction of Niagara College's New Campus.

Forward your new address

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On your mark, get set. . .

Welland Tribune photo

In December, Niagara College and the City of Welland officially opened a new exercise track at the College's Welland Campus. From left, Welland Mayor Dick Reuter, College President John Saso and Athletic Co-ordinator Peter Rylander opened the track to the College and the community. The City and the College also opened a slo-pitch diamond and vita parcours (exercise stations) at the Welland Campus.

Take note, parents

A message to parents of Niagara College Alumni:

In some cases you may ve receiving the ALUMNIAGARA intend d for your son or daughter.

This is due to the fact the only address we have for them is the home address he or she used while attending Niagara College.

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Articulation - put your diploma to work

Looking to build on your Niagara College diploma?

Do you wish to continue your post-secondary education?

Will a university take any of your college credits into account?

Yes.

Yes.

Yes.

Niagara College holds active articulation agreements with 11 different post-secondary institutions in Canada and the United States.

"We are working on a number of such agreements which give students real opportunities to continue their life-long learning," said David Schleich, Niagara College vice-president, Academic.

The longest-standing and most active articulation agreement is between Niagara College and Brock University in the area of child studies.

"Our Early Childhood Education graduates are eligible to receive advanced standing in Brock's Child Studies degree program," Schleich said. "Brock graduates may also apply for advanced standing in our ECE program.

"We also have an agreement in place with Brock in the area of wast managment," he said.

The college is also working on several other agreements with Brock, most recently in the area of communications.

"We're hoping our Broadcasting and our Journalism graduates can receive a full-year of credits in Brock's B.A. in Communications Studies," Schleich said.

Schleich has proposed a joint Brock-Niagara committee whose mandate would be to direct, prioritize and evaluate common program development between the university and the college and to promote and facilitate the integration and co-ordination of programming, "especially in terms of transfer opportunities between the institutions."

Niagara also has a lively articulation agreement with Lakehead University in Thunder Bay in the areas of business and technology.

Graduates of the college's four-year Mechanical Engineering Technology co-op program are eligible to enter, if accepted, into the third year of Lakehead's four-year Mechanical Engineering degree program.

David Schleich, VP Academic

Business Administration graduates from Niagara may also apply to Lakehead for advanced standing in their Business Studies degree programs.

Schleich said the college is in the process of signing an agreement with Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in Toronto in the area of Interior Design.

Heading south of the border, Niagara holds several agreements with American institutions.

"American schools tend to understand the value of an Ontario college diploma, and particularly its practical components, and they give the practical element a lot of credibility," Schleich said. "It is really a fast-track to a degree."

A unique agreement with Empire State College in Western New York, allows Niagara graduates to receive up to 64 of 128 credits required for a degree in the areas of business, public administration and social sciences.

"It's unique in that it's distance education - meaning you may never have to attend another class," Schleich points out. "Many graduates are taking advantage of this."

Students can apply not only their college credits towards a degree, but also their work experience and life experience, he said.

There are also very equitable transfer arrangements available at Niagara University in the areas of business and hospitality.

Graduates from English as a Second Language (ESL) at Niagara will soon have access to ESL at Canisius College in Buffalo. Graduates from Niagara's Business Administration programs will soon be able to receive advanced standing at Canisius.

The International Trade program at Niagara College is a joint venture with another Western New York Sate institution, Niagara County Community College in Sanborn, N.Y.

International Trade is a one-year post-diploma progam and "is a dynamic, multi-dimensional exploration into trade and commerce among Canada, the U.S., Mexico and the European market," Schleich said.

Erie Community College in Buffalo, N.Y., also has a general articulation agreement with Niagara in the areas of business, hospitality and technology, specifically in the area Computerized Numerical Control.

There is a general articulation agreement in place with Onandoga College in Syracuse, N.Y.

Niagara has signed an agreement with the Rochester Institute of Technology in the area of technology.

Northwood University in Midland, Michigan, and Niagara hold an agreement in the area of business studies. Niagara Business Administration graduates can complete a degree in one year.

Niagara College graduates can call their newest "life-long learning partners" to check out how to build their diplomas into degrees. Ask for the Admissions Office at one of the following institutions:

Brock University, St. Catharines, Ont.	(905) 688-5550
Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, Ont.	(807) 343-8110
Ryerson University, Toronto, Ont.	(416) 974-5000
Canisius College, Buffalo, N.Y.	(716) 883-7000
Erie Community College, Buffalo, N.Y.	(716) 634-0800
Niagara University, Niagara Falls, N.Y.	(716) 285-1212
Empire State College, Buffalo, N.Y.	(716) 886-8020
Northwood University, Midland, Mich.	1-800-457-7878
Onandoga College, Syracuse, N.Y.	(315) 469-7741
Niagara County Community College, Sanborn, N.Y.	(716) 731-3271

Registers 5000th student

College reaches milestone

Niagara College reached a milestone in its 27-year history by registering its 5,000th student.

Tammy-Lynn Smith began her first term of the Nursing program in January at the Mack Nursing Education Centre in St. Catharines.

The college held a special celebration at the centre to recognize this milestone. Tammy-Lynn, a Hamilton native, was presented with a cake and $50 gift certificate from the college's Campus Store.

President John Saso, as well as Ivar Norén, registrar, Vice-president Academic David Schleich, Director of Nursing Donna Cunningham and Registration Assistant Carol Desrochers, who processed Tammy-Lynn's registration, were on hand for the event.

Niagara more than doubled the number of students beginning classes in January.

In 1993, 227 students in seven programs began their college career in January, compared to 509 students enrolled in 18 programs starting in January, 1994.

Niagara College opened its doors in September, 1967 with 423 full-time, post-secondary students.

There has been a major growth over the past five years with student population expanding from 3,283 in 1989-90 to 5,244 in 1993-94, an increase of 60 per cent.

With the recent announcement of a $32-million jobsOntario government grant, college enrolment is expected to reach 6,000 by the turn of the century.

New child care centre to open in January 1995

Plans for a new child care facility at the Welland Campus are underway thanks to $1-million in funding from the Ministry of Community and Social Services.

The budget was submitted and approved at the Board of Governors meeting in February.

A program plan has been completed by the staff in the Early Childhood Education Centre led by Sandy Fox, manager of Ancillary Services.

"This is exciting news for the college," Fox said. "It not only benefits Niagara College, but the entire community. We will accommodate more children in a state-of-the-art facility."

It is anticipated that the new centre will accommodate 85 children with occupancy scheduled for Jan. 2, 1995. The current centre, located in the Mackenzie Building, accommodates 72 children.

The centre will be located just across the road from the west side of the Hennepin Building and near parking lot A, which is the corner of Rice Road and Woodlawn Road.

The building will be nestled into the woodlot and the plans include a drop-off point away from the traffic to ensure safety. Staff at the college's Horticultural Centre will be advising on which trees should be retained and the landscaping.

Patrick Jamieson, director of Physical Resources, will serve as the project manager and an outside construction manager has been contracted to manage the construction.

Variable entry and exit points

Start college in January, May or September

The way post-secondary education is offered is changing and Niagara College is setting the pace.

It used to be that people would start school in September and finish in April. That's it, no two ways about it.

Although many people will still follow the traditional September start academic mode, Niagara College, in addition to its January start programs, now offers a May start option.

Beginning this May, potential students are able to get a head start in five Niagara programs.

Those wishing to work in a law firm, government office or law department of a corporation can begin in the two-year Legal Assistant (Law Clerk) co-op program starting May 2.

Applicants must have an Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent.

The 16-week Health Care Aide program runs from May 2 to Aug. 19 and is ideal for those looking for employment opportunities in long-term and chronic care facilities. Applicants must have Basic Training for Skill Development - Level III, or grade 10, or equivalent.

University students with a Bachelor of Arts Degree looking for accelerated, direct-entry programs starting in May will be able to take Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film.

"It is an intensive six-week term preparing students to join the second year of our three-year Broadcasting program in September," said Larry Taylor, director of the Media and Design division at the college.

Fine Arts degree graduates interested in an Interior Design career can study in an intensive eight-week Interior Design term and join the second year of the three-year Interior Design program in September.

The one-year post-diploma International Trade program begins on May 2. This unique program concentrates on the trade relationships between North American and other world markets.

In order to apply for the International Trade program, applicants must have a diploma, degree or relevant work experience.

Many learners want a kind of 'just-in-time' education," said David Schleich, vice president, Academic. "Compressed flexible delivery of programs is a high priority these days.

"Not all students want or need four months of summer. Laid-off workers, sole-support parents, and even some recent high-school graduates are very keen to make the best of variable entry and exit points from school."

The college also increased the number of January start programs in 1994 to 18 from seven in 1993. This number is likely to grow to 24 in 1995.

"Something must be done." - Racine

Racine seeking changes to Young Offenders Act

A young women's life ended by the "shotgun blasts of hoodlums" and the offender may be walking free in a couple of years.

In August, 1992, two young Welland women were pursuing their career goals in Toronto, when from behind locked doors, Carrie Lynn Pinard, 18, was killed, and her friend, Cheryl Racine, now 22, was injured.

While getting ready to go out for the evening, the two women heard a disturbance in the hallway of their apartment.

They rushed to lock the door when Pinard was shot three times in the neck and Racine was shot four times in the face, leaving her blind in one eye.

The young offender was tried in adult court for manslaughter and was sentenced to 11 years in prison.

He will be eligible for parole in less than three years.

The offender sits in a youth home in Toronto "with luxuries," says Racine. "Something must be done to amend the Young Offenders Act."

Racine is a graduate of the Office Administration - Executive program at the college.

"Youths need to be punished more severely or they'll continue to commit crime," Racine said while a guest on Welland-Thorold MPP Peter Kormos' cable television show.

In the opening of the program Kormos, a lawyer and a Niagara College Social Service Worker graduate, recounted the grisly event as "shot gun blasts of hoodlums".

A guest on The Peter Kormos Show was Mark Evans, 29, a criminal lawyer in the Niagara Region who defends young offenders.

Seventy per cent of young offenders are repeat offenders, Evans said.

He said he tries to do his part in ensuring these offenders don't come back.

"I don't want to see repeat business," he said.

In an effort to make sure they don't become repeat offenders, he informs them of the impact of their crimes as well as referring them to counselling.

Racine, together with the Pinard family, are fighting for changes in the Young Offenders Act.

They have made more than 40 presentations throughout the Niagara Region and have distributed petitions looking for support in their fight.

Racine is determined to make her point that young people committing violent crimes are getting off far too easy.

"Something must be done," she said. "She (Pinard) is gone forever and he'll get out on his 21st birthday."

(The previous story was written for the Niagara News by second-year Journalism-Print student Amy Neilands.)

Photo by Tina Young, Journalism-Print student

Cheryl Racine, a graduate of Niagara Collerge's Office Administration - Executive program, has made more than 40 presentations throughout the Njagara Region seeking changes to the Young Offenders Act. Racine appeared on Welland-Thorold MPP Peter Kormos' cable television show to talk about changes to the Young Offenders Act.

JOT fills more than 600 positions

A total of $3.1-million has been committed to employers in the Niagara Region through jobsOntario•Training, with $1.6-million in training credits already paid out.

More than 600 positions have been filled and nearly 600 employers have registered for the program.

Niagara College is the broker for this provincial job creation program.

Participants have found employment in law firms, printing companies, health care agencies, the recycling industry and many other sectors in business and industry throughout the Niagara Region.

"If you take into consideration the number of new jobs created by the program, it would be comparable to relocating a very large business into the Region," said Bea Clark, director of Skills Development at the College.

"For example, Noranda (Recycled Papers) in Thorold employs 515 full-time staff; Foster Wheeler in St. Catharines has 515 full-time employees; and Hayes-Dana in Thorold employs 530 full-time staff."

The jobsOntario program provides up to $10,000 in training credits for each new position created.

When employers create a new job and received training funds, they can also use a portion of those funds to train existing employees.

Assistance is available in designing the training program that is right for each job and continues through the contract as required.

"We're delighted to see so many employers and potential employees taking advantage of this program," Clark said.

"But we're not finished yet. There are many more potential employers on the horizon and more people out there looking for work - our job is to match them up."

Anyone looking for information on the jobsOntario program should call (905) 641-2252, ext. 4021.

Retirees to be honored at Second Annual Banquet

Niagara College will honor its 1994 retirees at the Second Annual Retirement Dinner on Friday, June 17, at the Ameri-Cana Resort and Conference Centre in Niagara Falls.

Faculty members retiring this year include: Dr. Gorden Chen, Felix Bussman, Goldie Hill, John Jocsak, Robert (Bob) Johnston, Donald Pearson, John Yates Gord Goulty and Albert Costello. Glenn Pevere, long-time director of Human Resources and currently director of Student Services will also be retiring as will Ralph Mancuso, Simcoe Building custodian.

More than 20 staff members were honored at the First Annual Retirement Dinner held in June, 1993.

They include from Faculty: Janet Arnott, Morris Bosey, Fred Bridgeman, Eleanor Bull, Margaret Freedman, Austin Jelbert, Tom McGuinness, Marvin Nash, Phil Scoones, Ariel Wadsworth, Bill Walker, and Jim Weller.

Administration: Jennie Balasak, Rosemary Cawthorn, Pat Della Valle, Andy Ferguson, Bette Ferguson, and Dave Lawrence.

Support staff: Tom Bowes, Thelma Lloyd, Alice Moss and Pat Panetta.

Details on this year's retirement dinner are available by calling Eleanor Snider at (905) 735-2211, 384-9760, 382-2383 ext. 7764.

Former president head of CBC

Former Niagara College President Anthony S. (Tony) Manera was appointed president of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) in February.

Manera, who landed in Montreal from Italy at age 11, studied at the University of Southern California where he attained a masters of science degree in electrical engineering.

He spent time working at Hughes Aircraft and Teledyne Systems in California as an electrical engineer prior to joining the college in 1972.

At age 31, Manera was the youngest president in the college system.

Manera left Niagara in 1978 to take over as president of Vancouver Community College, before joining the CBC in 1986.

While at the CBC, he served as the vice president in charge of finance, administration, human resources, and engineering.

During his stint as acting CBC president, Manera impressed Prime Minister Jean Chretien and Heritage Minister Michel Dupuy with his approach and mastery of the complexities of the CBC's finances and administration.

Manera has negotiated a full five-year term as president with a mandate to affect major changes.

He must tackle the CBC's ailing financial situation, facing a $100-million budget cut to be enforced over the next five years.

He must also face the possibility of a 500-channel cable system in Canada, noting that most of the programming will be foreign.

"The need for Canadian voices and Canadian images is going to be greater than ever," he said.

Eugene Maltais, a long-time college politics professor, worked with Manera at Niagara as well as the Red Cross Society in Welland.

"He has a system of management of walking around and getting to know his staff," Maltais said. "He relates well with people and becomes familiar with his situation very quickly. I think he'll do a good job."

Board of Governors' secretary Mary Hornak worked very closely with Manera during his seven years at Niagara.

"I think everyone who knew him (while at Niagara) is just thrilled about it - it's just marvelous. I'm very happy for him," she said.

(The previous story was originally published in the Feb. 11, 1994 issue of the Niagara News. It was written by second-year Journalism student Danielle Meville.)

Niagara College's second President Anthony (Tony) Manera, served Niagara from 1972 to 1978.

The future of Niagara College

NEW CAMPUS

The following programs will be offered at the New Campus:

Business

- Business - Accounting
- Business - Accounting (Co-op)
- Business - Retail Management
- Business Administration - Accounting
- Business Administration - Accounting (Co-op)
- Business Administration - Human Resources Management (Co-op)
- Business Administration - Information Systems
- Business Administration - Marketing (Co-op)
- Business Administration - Operations Management (Co-op)
- Computer Programmer
- International Trade
- Legal Assistant (Co-op)
- Office Administration - Executive (Co-op)
- Office Administration - General
- Administration de bureau - bilingue général

Nursing

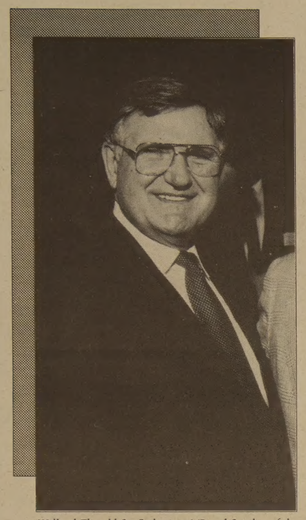
- Aide en soins de santé
- Health Care Aide
- Home Support Worker - Level II and III
- Hospital Orderly
- Nursing
- Nursing Assistant
- Soins infirmiers auxiliares

Allied Health

- Ambulance and Emergency Care
- Dental Assistant
- Dental Hygiene
- Dental Office Administration
- Health Records Technician
- Health Science Preparatory
- Medical Transcriptionist
- Pharmacy Assistant

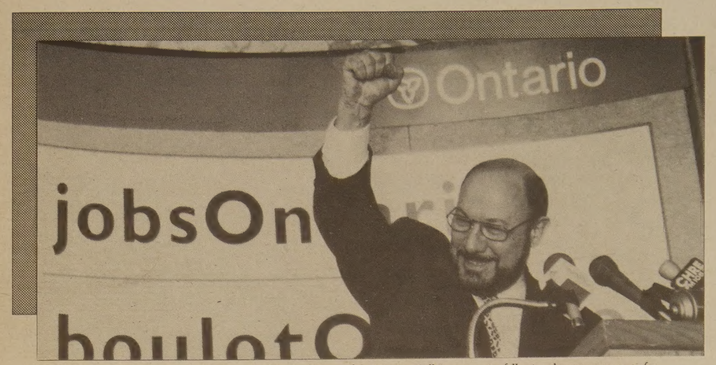
The Centre for Environmental Training

- Environmental Management



Welland-Thorold-St. Catharines MP and Speaker of the House Gib Parent was in attendance at the April 8 Press Conference at White Oaks Inn.

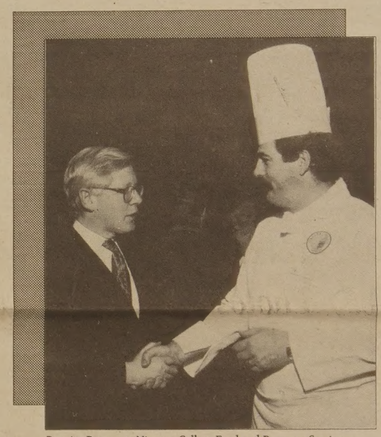
MPPs Jim Bradley and Shirley Coppen, Premier Bob Rae and Minister of Education and Training Dave Cooke share a laugh during President John Saso's speech.



With an emphatic "YES!!" President Saso summed up the feelings of the Niagara Collge community following the announcement of a jobsOntario capital grant of $32-million for Niagara College

Photos by Thies Bogner

Welland Mayor Dick Reuter and Niagara-on-the-Lake Lord Mayor Mike Dietsch share their views with a Maclean Hunter Cable TV reporter.



Premier Rae meets Niagara College Food and Beverage Services Manager Chef Patrick Hogan, who prepared the food for the press conference with students from the Culinary Skills program.

WELLAND CAMPUS

The following programs will be offered at the renovated Welland Campus:

Access and General Education

- General Arts and Science

Media and Design

- Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film
- Horticultural Technician (NEW CAMPUS)*
- Interior Design
- Journalism - Print
- Visual and Creative Arts - Design

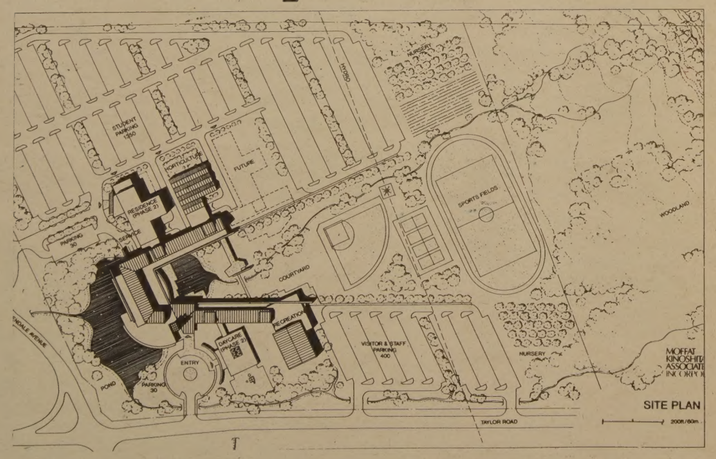
Community Studies

- Early Childhood Education
- Educational Resources and Special Needs
- Garde éducative à l'enfance
- Human Relations
- Law and Security Administration
- Recreation Leadership
- Social Service Worker

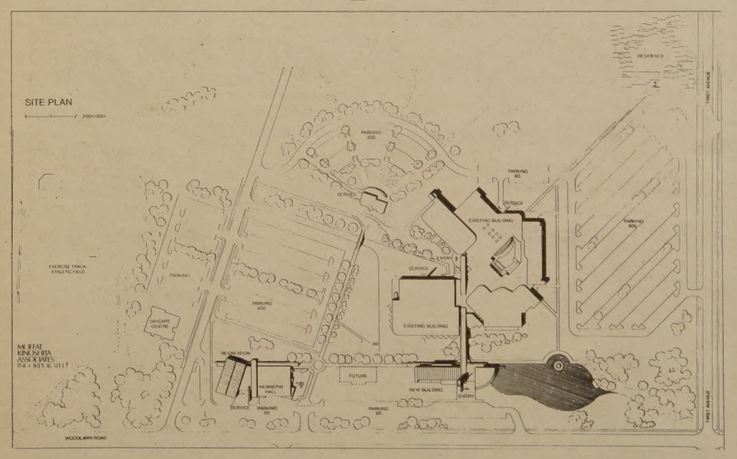
Technology

- Computer Engineering Technology (Co-op)
- Construction Engineering Technology - Architecture
- Electrical Engineering Technician
- Electrical Engineering Technology - Power Systems (Co-op)
- Electronics Engineering Technician
- Electronics Engineering Technology (Co-op)
- Electronics Engineering Technology - Microelectronics (Co-op)
- Industrial Engineering Technician - Quality Contr
- Manufacturing Engineering Technology (Co-op)
- Mechanical Engineering Technology (Co-op)
- Stationary Engineering - 3rd. Class

New Campus Construction



Welland Campus Renovation



Implementing our Master Plan

Two OCAA golds top 1993-94

A pair of provincial gold medals made 1993-94 one of Niagara's most successful years in athletics in 27 years.

In October, the college touch football team won the Ontario College Athletic Association (OCAA) gold medal by capping off a perfect season with a 45-26 win over St. Lawrence College in Kingston.

The football team, led by quarterback Dan MacNab of Hamilton, advanced to the final four by knocking off defending champion Mohawk College 10-1 in the regional final. Mohawk had won 11 of 14 touch football titles. The 1993-94 gold is Niagara's first.

"I think this is one of the best touch football teams the league has ever seen," said Peter Rylander, athletics co-ordinator and team co-coach. "It's too bad there isn't a national tournament for touch football. I would have liked to see this team play against other provincial champions or even some of the Mohawk champions of the past."

Niagara's second OCAA gold medal came in March when Sean Ellis of Newfoundland won his second straight championship in men's badminton. Ellis went to the national (CCAA) championships and finished fourth.

Niagara's latest champions will be permanently honored at the college as all Niagara provincial and national champions have been. In February, banners were hung in the college's gymnasium representing all Niagara champions over the past 27 years. The touch football and badminton titles were Niagara's 23rd and 24th banners.

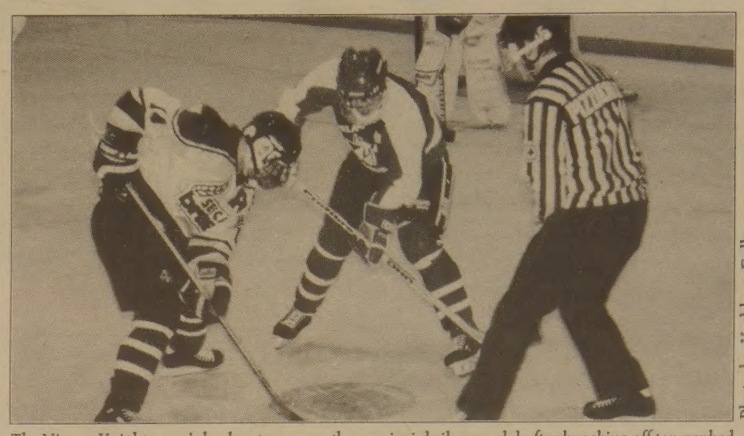


Photo by Kathleen Fullerton

The Nigara Knights men's hockey team won the provincial silver medal after knocking off top-ranked Seneca College Braves in the semi-finals.

In curling, the mixed team travelled to Sault Ste. Marie for the provincial bonspiel in February and brought home the silver medal.

Staying on the ice, the hockey team advanced to the final four shootout in March and came home with a silver medal, upsetting top seed Seneca College 6-5 in the semi-final before bowing 7-3 to Conestoga in the championship.

"People never really expected us to even make the playoffs, let alone win a silver medal," said coach Fred Bassi. "But during the second half of the season, we really turned things around and had a nice finish."

Turning to the courts, the men's basketball team played Division I for the first time in seven years and made the playoffs, bowing out in the first round to Algonquin College in Ottawa, ranked first in Canada.

The men's volleyball team suffered through the loss of several key players, yet finished fourth in the final tournament.

The women's volleyball team finished the season with a winning record (9-8), tied for the fourth and final playoff position, and yet didn't advanced due to the tie-breaker rule.

In September, the golf team finished fourth at the OCAA finals while the indoor soccer team finished third at the regional tournament.

Individually, Pete Lachance of the hockey team and Ellis shared the Male Athlete of the Year honors. Lachance was the key ingredient to the hockey team's silver medal and was named first-team all-star for both the regular season and the playoffs.

Ellis was twice named OCAA athlete of the week for his efforts on the badminton court.

Dan MacNab, quarterback of the touch football team, was named OCAA player of the week in October. Merv Wrighton, also of the football team, was also named provincial player of the week and the football team was once named team of the week.

Tammy Forrester was the Female Athlete of the Year. Forrester led the volleyball team to its 9-8 record. The women's volleyball team picked up team of the week honors after going 3-0 in January.

Jim Konrad was named a Division II volleyball first team all-star while Paul Grummett was a Division I basketball second team all-star.

"All in all, I think it was another successful year at the college," Rylander added. "In most sports, we're now competing at the Division I level, which means we're playing against all of the Toronto schools and the some of the biggest colleges in the country. For a school of our size, I think we should be very, very happy with this past year."

Tammy Forrester of the women's volleyball team was the 1993-94 Female Athlete of the Year.

Photo by Kathleen Fullerton, Law and Security Administration student

Frank Keltos (40) helped the Niagara College men's basketball team to a fourth place finish and a play-off berth. The 1993-94 season was Niagara's first in Division I since 1985-86. They were knocked out of the play-offs by Algonquin College, ranked first in Canada at the time of the defeat.

Ellis repeats as OCAA champion

For the second consecutive year Sean Ellis is the Ontario College Athletic Association (OCAA) men's badminton champion.

Ellis, originally from Newfoundland, captured his second OCAA gold by going undefeated at both the regional and provincial championships in February.

He finished fourth at the Canadian Athletic Association Championships held in Truro, Nova Scotia, where he finished with two wins against three losses.

"I would have liked to have medaled at the nationals, but overall I'm very pleased with my performance this year," Ellis said.

Ellis' repeat gold marks the first time Niagara has won back-to-back OCAA titles since Mark Nelson and Tom Peat won four straight championships in the 1980s. They also won three consecutive CCAA titles.

Peat and Nelson, as well as Ellis, are coached by Dave Carpenter.

For his efforts, Ellis shared Male Athlete of the Year honors with Pete Lachance, who led the hockey team to an OCAA silver medal.

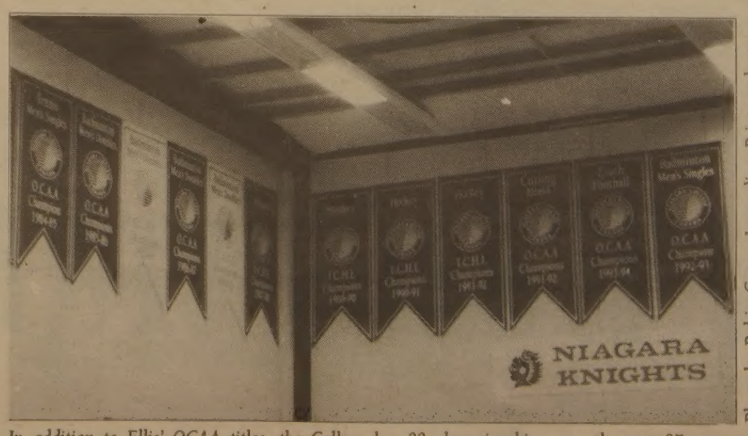


Photo by Robin Green, Journalism-Print student

In addition to Ellis' OCAA titles, the College has 22 championships over the past 27 years. Championship banners were recently hung in the gymnasium celebrating those championships.

After 24 years behind the bench, Bassi hangs 'em up

Hockey has always been good to Fred Bassi - and visa-versa.

But after more than two decades behind the Niagara College bench, Bassi is passing the torch.

"Twenty-four years is a long time. I think it's time for me to step away from the coaching, relax and enjoy watching my son play," Bassi said.

After 24 years, half of which were played in the International Collegiate Hockey League (ICHL) and the others in the Ontario College Athletic Association (OCAA), Bassi went out in style.

The Knights, fighting for their play-off lives all season long, took home the OCAA silver medal for the first time in the team's history.

The Knights needed to win their last regular season game on the road to make the play-offs and needed at 10-9 overtime win at Sir Sandford Fleming College to make to the final four weekend in Kitchener.

Although Niagara bowed out to Conestoga College 7-3 in the gold medal game, they upset heavily-favored and top-ranked Seneca College (16-1) in the semi-final game 6-5.

"That was one of the school's biggest wins ever," Bassi said. "I'm very proud of this team as I am every team I've coached.

"The thing about Niagara teams is they always show a lot of heart and determination. That is one thing I'd like to take away with me; knowing my guys always gave 100 per cent."

Bassi, a former All-American at Boston University, leaves the coaching ranks with five ICHL titles and his latest victory - the OCAA silver.

After winning the OCAA silver medal, Niagara College hockey coach Fred Bassi is retiring.

The Niagara Network

1976

Frost, Jo Anne (Moody) - Dental Assistant
Jo Anne is married and has three children. She is a homemaker residing in Norwood, Ont.

1977

Pascuzzo, Kathy (Plumley) - Early Childhood Education
Kathy married her husband Frank in 1990 and they reside in Niagara Falls. Kathy is working in the childcare field.

1978

Szedlak, Janet (Labonte) - Early Childhood Education
Janet is a YMCA instructor living in Stoney Point, Ont. She is also a figure skating instructor.

1979

Cecchetti, Pacifico - Electrical Engineering Technology
Pacifico moved to the North Bay area one year after graduation and has worked for MacMillan Bloedel ever since. He is presently the electrical and instrumentation department superintendent.

1980

Hamilton, Gordon - Air Conditioning/Refrigeration Engineering Technician
Gord in married to fellow graduate Debbie Russell, Early Childhood Education (1974). He owns Frost Refrigeration, a repair business, and lives in Burlington.

McAnuff, Paul - Hotel and Restaurant Administration
Paul began his career working in various restaurants and in 1986 began working for VME Associates Limited, a family-owned business specializing in explosives control. Paul is now vice-president of VME and resides in St. Catharines.

Noyes, Diane (Gatto) - Health Records Technician
Diane is married, has one child and lives in Stoney Creek. She spent six years in Bermuda as a medical records superviser.

Pender, Rosemary (Krock) - Horticulture Technician
Rosemary is a stay-at-home mother since leaving her groundskeeping/ greenhouse job at the Ontario School for the Deaf in Belleville, Ont. She resides in Marmora, Ont.

1981

Bujdoso, Louise (Jolin) - Computer Programmer
"I have worked for the Ford Motor Company of Canada in Oakville since 1981 as a systems analyst specializing in dealership computer applications. I'm married and live in Georgetown and enjoy reading issues of ALUMNIAGARA and look forward to future publications."

Pelusi, Rosemary - Business - Accounting (Academic)
Rosemary is the business manager at the Niagara Falls Review daily newspaper in Niagara Falls, Ont. She is looking to get in touch with Richard Beyer.

1982

Mahoney, Jody (Cross) - Dental Assistant
"Since graduating from the Dental Assistant program, I have furthered my career by taking the Preventive Dental Assistant program last August. I have been employed by Dr. Watts in Simcoe, Ont. for the past six years. I also help my father out in his coffee shop The Titan. I am married to Rick and have a cat named Charlie."

1985

Bates, Cheryl - Tourism - Tours and Attractions
"I have been with Versa Food Services at the Ford Assembly Plant in Oakville for two years overseeing the operation of four cafeterias within the plant. I've been married for six years and don't have any children." Cheryl resides in Georgetown, Ont.

1986

Borland, Brenda (Chambers) - Tourism - Tours and Attractions
"I am searching for Robin Roberts (Tourism - Tours and Attractions, 1986). Any information would be great." Brenda is a travel consultant with Lakeshore Travel and lives in Port Colborne.

Dunlop, Susan (Rigby) - Interior Design
Susan married in 1987 and has two children, Andrew (two) and Virginia (one). She works part-time at DETAILS in St. Catharines and lives in that city.

1987

McCannell, Tracy (Waugh) - Fashion Merchandising/Visual Promotions
Tracy is married to Mark McCannell and they have two children, Tammy Amaletta (three) and Anna Tracy (one). Mark and Tracy are dairy farmers in Dundalk, Ont. Tracy also has her own small business designing and manufacturing children's clothing called Little Farm Folks.

McCorkindale, Tina - Fashion Merchandising/Visual Promotions
"I am employed by Thompson Printing in Paris, Ont., as a graphic technician. My most recent accomplishment was Worldsport's 1994 NHL Yearbook."

1988

Howell, Jerry - Computer Engineering Technology
Jerry owns a very successful pumpkin farm and resides in Fonthill, Ont.

1989

Parker, Sarah - Medical Transcriptionist
"I live in Cambridge and am employed at Peel Memorial Hospital in Brampton where I work full-time as a medical secretary in the Radiology Department. I would like to communicate with some old classmates. My address has never changed. It would be great to hear from anyone."

Renshaw, Carl - Law and Security Administration
Carl is working for the Niagara Parks Police Department. His wife Judy (Matthewson), Dental Hygiene 1989, is working as a dental hygienist and they were blessed on May 13, 1993 with the birth of their daughter Jordyn Riley Renshaw. Carl is planning a get together for the LASA class of 1989. Keep your eyes open for more details.

1990

Peek, Janine (Sherar) - Social Service Worker
Janine and her husband, Steve, have a daughter named Eryn Dawn, born Sept. 24, 1993. She is working as a Social Assistance caseworker in London, Ont.

1991

Nichols, Sean - Law and Security Administration
Sean has been hired by the Ontario Provincial Police as a constable. He started his duty this past December in Ear Falls, Ont.

Salvador, Lisa - Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film
"I am currently employed at a weekly newspaper, The Timmins Times, as a media sales consultant/classified advertising manager."

1992

Loiselle, Patricia - Women in Trades and Technology
"I graduated Brock (1991); Daemen Teacher's College (1992) and am completing a four-year Honors B.A. and a Bachelor of Education at Brock. I am looking for a teaching position from grade 7 to the OAC level."

We're still looking for Lost Alumni

Aindow, Joseph - 1990 Motor Vehicle Mechanic

Barron, Laurie - 1991 Law and Security Administration

Bassani, John - 1991 Computer Programmer

Belanger, Pierrette - 1991 Office Administration - General

Bolton, Mark - 1991 Law and Security Administration

Borowski, Timothy - 1991 Ambulance and Emergency Care

Borshell, Ruth - 1991 Ambulance and Emergency Care

Bray, Michael - 1991 Business Administration - Operations Management

Buccilli, David - 1990 General Machinist - Advanced

Carlson, Andrea - 1991 General College - Health Science Preparatory Option

Churchill, Kelly - 1991 General College - Health Science Preparatory Option

Claridge, Marcela - 1991 Nursing

Devries, Sharlene - 1991 Business Administration - Accounting Co-op

Dorion, Chad - 1991 Ambulance and Emergency Care

Factley, Adam - 1991 General College - Fine Arts Option

Firth, Anne-Marie - 1991 Soeial Service Worker

Friskie, Judith - 1991 Social Service Worker

Garrett, Kenneth - 1991 College Vocational

Golka, Joseph - 1990 General Machinist - Advanced

Gracey, Brett - 1991 Computer Programmer

Hadfield, Kelly - 1991 Medical Transcriptionist

Homorodean, Mary - 1991 Ambulance and Emergency Care

Inkes, Brenda - 1991 Interior Design

Laramee, William - 1991 Law and Security Administration

Leblanc, Karen - 1991 Office Administration - General

Legacy, Paulette - 1991 Social Service Worker

Lock, Timothy - 1991 Broadcasting - Radio, Television and Film

MacIntyre, Mary - 1990 Cook II Apprenticeship

Margeson, Cindy - 1991 Interior Design

McLeod, Tammy - 1991 Health Records Technician

Newstead, Veronica - 1991 Social Service Worker

Odell, Susan - 1991 Health Records Technician

Osborne, Charlene - 1991 Social Service Worker

Ozog, Gwendolyn - 1991 Office Administration - Executive

Park, Cynthia - 1991 Nursing

Pelletier, Charmaine - 1991 Law and Security Administration

Poirier, Maria - 1992 Dental Office Administration

Pupo, Cari - 1991 Business Administration - Accounting Co-op

Quinlan, Wayne - 1991 Business Administration - Marketing Management

Robins, Teresa - 1992 Nursing Assistant

Royer, Sylvie - 1991 Law and Security Administration

Russell, Rachel - 1991 Hotel and Restaurant Administration

Schaubel, Shirley - 1991 Social Service Worker

Shaver, James - 1991 Law and Security Administration

Stopard, Shelly - 1992 Nursing Assistant

Thomson, Colleen - 1991 Interior Design

Tokar, Yvonne - 1991 Health Records Technician

Tonelli, Tammi - 1991 Computer Programmer

Wilson, Hugh - 1991 Law and Security Administration

Another "lost" graduate found!

Name: _____

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Over the next few years the Executive of your Alumni Association will be organizing a wide range of activities to benefit fellow graduates, the Association and the College.

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Unique partnership opens doors

In a unique partnership of education, a series of 24 new courses offering studies and training in business leadership for front-line managers and supervisers will be established at four Ontario colleges, including Niagara College.

Preparing the Front-Line Manager for the 21st Century offers a Business Leadership certificate for successful completion of the first year and a diploma for graduates of the second year of the two-year program.

Community College members of the partnership include Durham College, Oshawa/Lindsay; St. Clair College, Windsor/Chatham; Niagara College; and Sir Sandford Fleming College, Peterborough/Lindsay.

The University of Waterloo will assist in the design and development of the courses, which will go to the Ministry of Education and Training for approval.

Corporate co-sponsors are General Motors of Canada and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association (CMA). GM is providing the necessary funding required to establish the pilot courses.

Each educational institution is responsible for developing a number of specific courses, and once pilots are completed and the courses fine-tuned they will be provided to each of the partners for addition to the curriculum.

Each course will average 45 hours in duration and will include in-classroom and experiential activity intended to equip and prepare participants for leadership in the workplace.

The program was greeted enthusiastically by Dave Cooke, minister of Education and Training.

"I am pleased to see this example of partnership between industry and these educational institutions," he said. "This program demonstrates that the college and the university are meeting the real needs of companies and their workforces."

John Urbanic, GM of Canada's general director of Car and Truck Assembly, agreed.

"Since the program's objective is to create an educational foundation for current and future supervisory personnel which will aid them in growing with the industry, we are strongly encouraging our employees to participate," he said. "We feel it is very important for the future of our business."

"What is emerging throughout the college system is a whole new way of managing the business of education," said John Saso, president of Niagara College.

"Through private/public sector partnerships, we are creating the kind of alliances that produce first-class training programs and versatile, highly-skilled workforce which will ensure Ontario's manufacturing future," Saso added.

Paul Nykanen, vice president, CMA's Ontario Division, feels "programs such as this will further prepare employees for the workplace by providing them with the relevant skills and knowledge that are highly valued in today's modern competitive economy."

Individuals successfully completing the 12 courses offered in the certificate program will be recognized as having credit in the two-year diploma programs.

With an additional year of courses, the individual will be able to complete the requirements of a diploma.

A major innovation to the program is Prior Learning Assessment (PLA).

Candidates who have already gained a level of college-level learning, through work experience, various non-credit courses they may have taken, or through self-directed study, may seek course credit through a PLA process. If successful, it may reduce the number of courses they need to meet program requirements.

Roger Hudson, manager of Organization and Employee Development at GM of Canada, said employees from General Motors across Ontario and Quebec are becoming involved in the entire process.

"GM of Canada personnel from our operations in Oshawa, St. Catharines, Windsor, Woodstock, London, as well as Ste. Therese, Quebec, will form the pilot groups during the two-year development phase," he said.

"Once they become part of the regular curriculum at each of the colleges, the courses will be open to anyone."

Fourth Annual Golf Tournament June 6

The Niagara College Foundation presents the Fourth Annual Niagara College Invitational Golf Tournament on Monday, June 6 at the beautiful St. Catharines Golf and Country Club.

The Shotgun Start format with a Texas Scramble begins at 12:30 p.m. Registration is limited to 144 golfers.

The all-inclusive $160 fee includes a tax receipt for $65, 18 holes of golf, electric golf cart, prizes for everyone, a complimentary light lunch, lockers and towels, gourmet awards banquet at the Country Club, colour photograph of each foursome, video coverage of players viewed at awards banquet, and a chance to win fabulous hole-in-one prizes, including not one, but two cars.

"The golf tournament seems to get better every year and we're expecting this year's tournament to surpass the 1993 event," said John Saso, Niagara College president. "It's a great way to make friends for the college over a round of golf and a great dinner afterwards.

"And this year we're even presenting a two-hour clinic taught by teaching pro Dan King from the National Golf Club of Canada."

Anyone interested in registering or for more information, please call the Niagara College Foundation at (905) 988-5211.

Seafood Extravaganza

The Sixth Annual Niagara College Great Canadian Seafood and Wine Extravaganza held on Friday, April 22 at the Victoria Park Restaurant in Niagara Falls was another sell-out.

If you are interested in tickets for next year's event, scheduled for April 21, 1995, please call the Niagara College Foundation Office in (905) 988-5211.

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